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SUBJECT: HONDURAS PROHIBITS COMMERCIAL FISHING ON CARIBBEAN
COAST DURING BREEDING SEASON

1. THE HONDURAN MINISTRY OF NATIONAL RESOURCES HAS
ANNOUNCED A TWO MONTH COMMERCIAL FISHING BAN ON THE TOTAL
AREAS OF ITS CARIBBEAN COAST. THE BAN AGAINST TAKING OF
ANY MARINE LIFE APPLIES TO BOTH HONDURAN AND FOREIGN
COMMERCIAL OPERATORS, ESPECIALLY THOSE USING MODERN
EQUIPMENT.

2. THE BAN WILL LAST AT LEAST UNTIL JUNE 8 AND IS
INTENDED TO PROTECT BREEDING STOCK. COASTAL AREAS WILL BE
PATROLLED, FOR THE FIRST TIME, BY TWO MODERN PATROL CRAFT
RECENTLY COMMISSIONED.

3. U.S. COMMERCIAL FISHERMEN ARE ADVISED TO OBTAIN SPECIFIC
DATA ON PROHIBITED AREAS AND SPECIES FROM THE MINISTRY OF
NATURAL RESOURCES, C/O ERNESTO MEJIA, OFICINA DE CONTROL DE
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